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In re application of: P. Rhode et al.

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For: MHC MOLECULES AND USES THEREOF

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This communication is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated November 25, 2002 (Paper No. 8). Please amend the above-identified application as follows.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 29-31, 35-37, 43-48, 52, 56, 64, 65, 70, and 77-87 without prejudice. Please amend claims 55 and 66-76 as follows:

55. (Amended) The MHC molecule of claim 53, wherein the chain of 1) comprises a  $\beta$ 1 domain and the chain of 3) comprises an  $\alpha$ 1 domain.

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